

LIFESTYLES

Hawaii Marine B Section

January 18, 2002



One of many wild orchids on display at the orchid greenhouse.



Walk in
the



A wealth of surprises in color and form grow wild in the Lyon Orchid Garden.

GARDEN of Eve

Story and Photos by
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Perhaps to find peace, a person must find the right kind of scenery. Sometimes a city can rob all colors from the world, painting it with gray and black. Yet, nature always finds a way to bring beauty in the oddest of places, bringing fragrance and colors to the heart of a city.

In 1853, Queen Kalama leased a small piece of land to Dr. William Hillebrand and his wife, who at the time was a botanist and physician from Germany.

The Hillebrand's built a home in the upper terrace, which is now the Foster Botanical Garden. While in Hawaii, they devoted 20 years to the garden and produced the amazing botanic treatise, *Flora of the Hawaiian Islands*, around 1888.

The Hillebrand's property was later sold to Capt. Thomas Foster and his wife, Mary. They both continued to add to the garden until Mary's death.

On Nov. 30, 1931, the garden opened to the public, with the City and County of Honolulu as its new owner. Later, Dr. Harold Lyon was appointed as its first director.

During a span of 27 years, Dr. Lyon introduced 10,000 new kinds of trees and plants to Hawaii. Using his own plants, he started the his first collection of wild orchids.

The Foster Botanical Garden expanded to 13.5 acres with help from the City and County of Honolulu and donations from individuals.

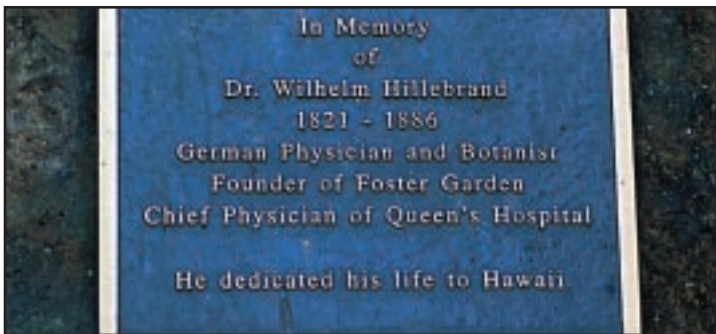
Today, the garden is a living museum of tropical plants. Its collection of rare and endangered plants and trees has come from tropical locations around the world. It has taken 140 years to gather all the rare and endangered vegetation.

The garden is one of five botanical gardens on Oahu. Each has its own unique kinds of plants and trees.

Complete with walking paths and plenty of benches to rest, the



Many exotic trees bloom wonderful flowers and soak up the warmth of the early morning Hawaiian sun.



This small sign is a token to Hillebrand's life long dedication to the garden and Hawaii.

living museum is a self-guided tour. Each plant and tree has its own sign, which means visitors can appreciate each variety of species at their leisure.

Walking along the paths, visitors will be astonished by the sweet smells of palm collections, Lyon Orchids and many other native plants.

The upper terrace opens up to a blanket of grass that is shaded by more than 100 towering trees. However, the economic garden has poisonous plants, herbs, spices and beverage plants that offer a different side of beauty.

The tour can easily last more than an hour, as many are enticed to sit and meditate while listening to the wind dancing through the trees.

More than 75,000 visitors view this garden annually.

"I love to see the happiness on people's faces when they leave," said Ruth Zweifel, a tour guide and volunteer for the Foster Botanical garden.

A volunteer for 23 years, Ruth finds pleasure working so close to the plants and helping people learn about the garden.

Throughout the years, people have signed the guest book, leaving some inspiring comments.

A visitor from Sweden wrote, "Smells wonderful." Another from Sonoma, Calif., exclaimed, "Absolutely breathtaking."

The garden is a favorite place for weddings and photography. A permit is required for weddings.

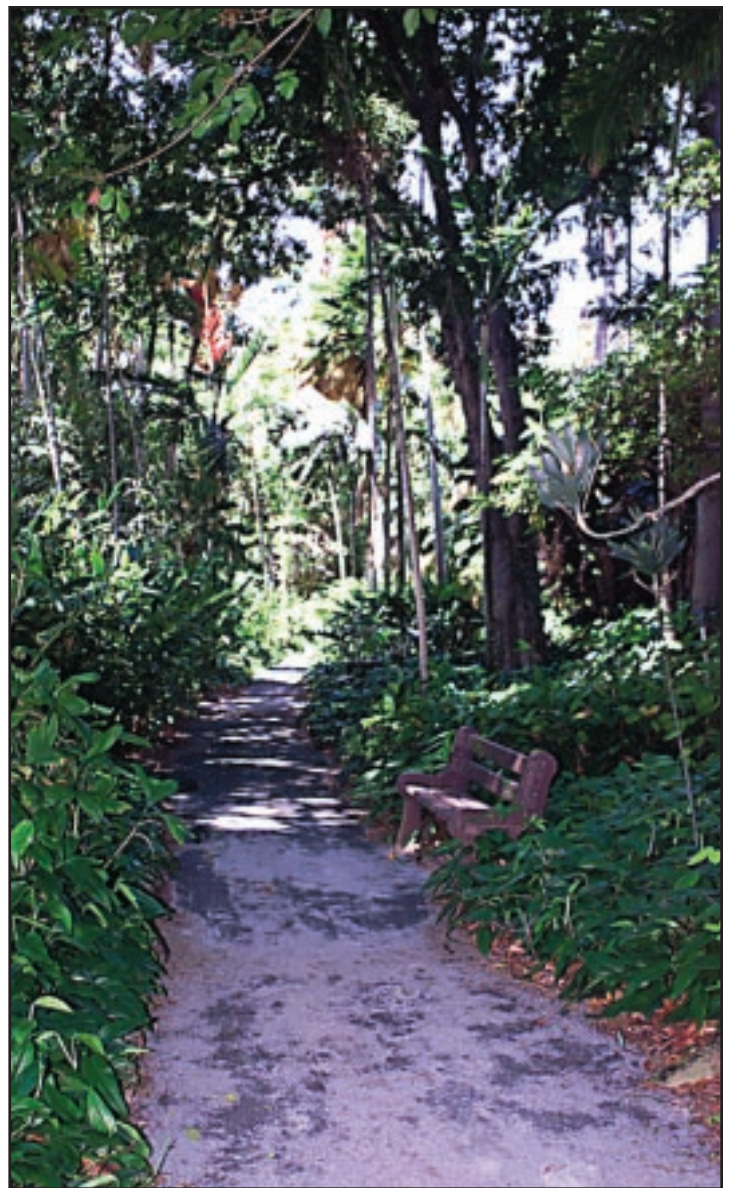
For plant lovers, the Friends of the Honolulu Botanical Gardens has an annual plant sale.

Guided tours are available Monday through Friday at 1 p.m., and must be arranged in advance. Insect repellent is highly recommended.

Parking is free at the museum parking lot. The gift shop and bookstore are must-see attractions.

Those who want to help maintain the gardens can volunteer by supporting the nursery, garden, reception, and docent programs.

For more information about volunteer opportunities, call 522-7063 or call the Foster Botanical Gardens at 522-7066.



A quiet bench under a canopy of rare and endangered plants and trees is one of many places visitors may enjoy while walking through the garden.



An ocean of green is the setting of the Foster Botanical Garden.

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POSSIBILITIES IN PARADISE

By Debbie Baker, MCCS Public Relations and Hawaii Marine Staff

JANUARY

18 / Friday

Evening LINKS — An Evening Session will be underway tonight, Jan. 18 through Monday from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the LINKS House, Bldg. 3074. For more information, call 257-2368.

Key Volunteers — Pick up some handy Key Volunteer Refresher Training from 9 a.m. to noon at the KV Center, Bldg. 3022. Get details at 257-2410.

Teenagers — Attend

the Manana Youth/Teen Activities Open House. Both parents and teens can get information at the event, which begins at 6:30 p.m. For details, call 456-1662.

Grunge Bar — Ring in Happy Hour at the O’Club’s Grunge Bar from 4 to 6 p.m., and treat yourself to free pupus, pool & darts. Members and guests are welcome. Call 254-7650 for more information.

Ballroom Closes — The Fairways Ballroom is closed until Feb. 1. Call 254-5592, for more information.

19 / Saturday

More Key Volunteers — More handy Key Volunteer Training will be available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the KV Center, Bldg. 3022. Make your reservation by calling 254-2410.

20 / Sunday

Water Sports — Discover the world down-under at the Base Marina. The Base Marina rents snorkeling gear, kayaks, boogie boards and surfboards. Plus, sailing and fishing boating lessons and licensing are also available through the Marina. Call 254-7666, to get in on the action.

21 / Monday

Bowling — Participate in the Monday Night Rage at K-Bay Lanes. Games are at a low price of \$1. Single Marines and Sailors, be sure to ask about promotions de-

signed just for you. Call 254-7693, for more.

22 / Tuesday

Ballroom Opens — The Officers’ Club opens its Lanai Ballroom, Tuesday. You can enjoy Sunday brunches and daily lunch specials featuring Mexican, create-your-own-pasta, island-fresh seafood and more. All patrons and their guests may enter the club through the poolside entrance. Call 254-7650 for details.

Spouse’s Seminar — Husbands and wives, catch the Spouses’ Leadership Seminar in the Bachelors Officers’ Quarters Conference Room, from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. This seminar is open to all military spouses. Call 257-2410, for more information.

Day LINKS — LINKS will host a Day Session, Tuesday through Thursday, Jan. 24 at the LINKS House, Bldg. 3074 from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. For more details, call 257-2363.

23 / Wednesday

Federal Jobs — Attend the Federal Employment Workshop, free of charge in Bldg. 3096, Room 1, from 9 to 11 a.m. Discover helpful tips to get you on your way to a job in the federal government. For more information, call 257-7790.

Mongolian BBQ — Do the barbecue, Mongolian style, at the O’Club’s lower level Lanai Ballroom at 6 p.m. Mongolian BBQ will be served each Wednesday & Friday at the O’Club from

6 to 8 p.m., beginning Wednesday, Jan. 23.

24 / Thursday

Storytime — Parents, treat your keikis to StoryTime, which runs every Thursday at the Base Library, from 10 to 11 a.m. Arts-n-crafts will also be available. Call 254-7624, for more information.

25 / Friday

More Mongolian — Enjoy the O’Club’s finger-lickin’ good Mongolian BBQ, which will be served from 6 to 8 p.m. Club members and their guests are welcome to attend. For more details, call 254-7560.

26 / Saturday

Waikiki Night Out — Single, active duty military members can register now for the Single Marine and Sailor Program’s Ultra Zone and Waikiki Night Out, scheduled for Feb. 2 from 2 p.m. – 2 a.m. The cost of this excursion is \$10 per person and covers unlimited laser tag games at the Ultra Zone, plus transportation. For more details, call SM&SP at 254-7593.

27 / Sunday

Relaxing Therapy — Do you need to be kneaded? The Semper Fit Center is home to four certified massage therapists, who can work wonders on those aching joints and muscles, making you feel whole again. Gift certificates are also available. Call 254-7597, for more information.

28 / Monday

ETAP — The next Executive Transition Assistance Program Seminar will go from Jan. 28 - 30, from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. in Bldg. 3096, Room 1. Spouses are welcome to attend. Call the Career Resource Management Center at 257-7797, for more information.

Racquetball — Camp Smith will host a Lunchtime Racquetball Tournament, Jan. 28 – Feb. 1.

This free event is open to all active duty service-members. Participants may sign up now through Jan. 27 at Camp Smith, Bldg. 9. Awards will be given to the top two competitors. For more details, call 477-0498.

29 / Tuesday

Scratch Bowling Tourney — Participate in the 2002 Hawaii Marine Intramu-ral Scratch Bowling Tournament Jan. 29 through 31 at the K-Bay Lanes, Bldg. 1666, from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Cost is \$30 per player.

Top bowlers will go on to compete against the Army, Air Force, Coast Guard and Navy in the Hawaii Military Tournament held this March. For more bowling information, call the K-Bay Lanes at 254-7664.


Still More KV Training — Get Key Volunteer Basic Training Jan. 29 – 31, at the KV Center, Bldg. 3022, from 5:30 – 9 p.m. Call 257-2410, to make reservations.

30 / Wednesday

Caterer Available — If you are hosting a party, consider K-Bay Catering to help. K-Bay Catering can create the ambience you’ve been searching for. Call 254-5592, to make reservations for your next function

Athletes Wanted — Youth Activities will be accepting applications for Windward Community Federal Credit Union’s youth wrestling, volleyball and in-line hockey programs. Call 254-7610, for more details.

SM&SP



(All events are open to single, active duty military.)

Mahalo
Mahalo Windward Community Federal Credit Union for making SM&SP activities and sporting events possible.

Upcoming Events
Feb. 2: Take the Ultra Zone and Waikiki Night trip into high-tech combat action from 4 p.m. – 2 a.m. Cost is \$10 per person. Fee covers unlimited Ultra Zone games and transportation.
Feb. 9: Attend the Pro-Bowl Game & Tailgate Party. Cost is \$25 per person. It’s open to all active duty single or junior enlisted personnel. However, participants must make a volunteer commitment to the SM&SP.
The tailgate includes BBQ, hotdogs, hamburgers, chips and sodas. Volunteers are limited to four tickets each.
Feb. 16-18: Plan to escape with the Kauai Getaway. Call for times and dates. Seating is limited. Authorized guests are welcome.

Oceanside Paintball
Let your “inner-predator” come out on Saturdays from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Sundays noon – 5 p.m. Call for equipment rental fees, 254-7593.

SM&SP Benefits
You’ll enjoy a host of benefits through the SM&SP at locations such as K-Bay Lanes and the Klipper Golf Course. Call 254-7593 for details.



Sgt. Alexis R. Mulero

Youngsters listen attentively during the Base Library’s StoryTime, which is held every Thursday at 10 a.m.

Patrons invited to ‘touch base’ with MCCS

Debbie Baker
MCCS Public Relations

Marine Corps Base Hawaii is a “little city” residing on Windward Oahu. Just think about it: K-Bay houses a commissary, a department store, several convenience stores, parks and a school. Nearly all of anyone’s needs and wants can be fulfilled aboard the base. To keep this “little city” functioning, it must also operate like a business. That responsibility is one of the functions of Marine Corps Community Services. It doesn’t take an entrepreneur or business owner to tell anyone that the fastest way to bankruptcy is poor customer service. In today’s marketplace, excellent customer service is vital, as free enterprise encourages competition. Walk into any business and

discover whether management is truly committed to customer satisfaction, simply by the examining manner in which their employees treat you. Were you greeted? Did anyone inquire if you needed assistance? Was someone available and patient with you while you explained that, “Yes, this blue tank top is nice, but I need to exchange it because my wife wanted the pale, yellow one?” Employee and customer relations are paramount to MCCS. They are reflected by the way managers operate their departments. Upon hiring an employee, whether part, flex or full time, the

new employee spends paid time attending various courses in “World Class Customer Service” training. Department Managers instruct the courses, which focus on listening, phone greeting, assisting skills and etiquette. Marine Corps Community Services also commits to the premise that unless clients are not only satisfied but also happy with products and services, the business will not be successful. Further, MCCS is committed to obtaining customer feedback through a program called, “Touch Base with MCCS.” Touch Base with MCCS allows the client — you, the customer — to comment, suggest, compli-

ment and complain about any facet of MCCS. Your questions and concerns will not go unnoticed or unanswered. Once you send us a comment card, the activity manager will respond within one week. Touch Base offers three ways to send comment cards: drop the completed form into any of the 16 clear, plexi-glass boxes at most MCCS locations; send the postage-paid card in the mail; or chat online at talktomccs@usmc-mccs.org. If you have an idea to improve any program or to start a new one, let MCCS know. Your comments are guaranteed not to fall upon deaf ears. Marine Corps Community Services knows you have a choice for your purchases and services, and it values your patronage. Let MCCS know what more it can do.



MOVIE TIME

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| Prices: Adults (12 and older) \$3, Children (6 to 11) \$1.50, Children (5 and younger) free. Matinee prices are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. Parents must purchase tickets for “R” rated movies in person at the box office for children 16 years old and younger. | Black Knight (PG13) | Today 7:15 p.m. |
| For E-5 and below, admission is free to the second show on Friday and Saturday evenings only. Sunday evenings, the price is \$1 for all patrons. Please show your ID at the box office. Phone 254-7642 for recorded info. | Shallow Hal (PG13) | Today 9:45 p.m. |
| | Out Cold (PG-13) | Saturday 7:15 p.m. |
| | Extreme Days (PG) | Saturday 9:45 p.m. |
| | Extreme Days (PG) | Sunday 3:30 p.m. |
| | Spy Game (R) | Sunday 7:15 p.m. |
| | Shallow Hal (PG13) | Wednesday 7:15 p.m. |

Hawaii MARINE SPORTS



Winston I. Earle, executive officer for Headquarters Bn., launches his best throw of the day while participating in the jungle shotput competition.

Units fight for Commander's Cup

Story and Photos by
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Combat Correspondent

Marines and Sailors from MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, gathered at Pop Warner Field and Risely Field Sand Courts Friday to engage in a battle for bragging rights of who is the top athletic command on base.

The 2001 Commander's Cup "Field Meet" Intramural Championships played host to several different competitions including, track, sand volleyball, kip style pull-up and horseshoe tournaments, dizzy izzy, tug-o-war, wheel



Combat Service Support Group 3 won the 2001 MCB Hawaii Commanders Cup.

barrow and fireman's carry races as well.

At the end of the last competition, first place individual medals were handed out for each individual event. The Commanding General of MCB Hawaii, Brig. Gen., Jerry C. McAbee awarded both the Commander's

Cup Champions Trophy and the Commanding General's Semper Fit Series Trophy to the winner of the "Field Meet": CSSG-3.

"We have to attribute our win to the hard training we perform throughout the year," said Capt. Michael L. Craighead, executive officer, Motor Transport Co., CSSG-3. "We are always ready physically. But, our biggest challenge was pulling together mentally as a team."

Commander's Cup Standings

Individual event competition winners:

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| 4X110 yard relay | 1st MAW ASEK |
| 4X440 yards relay | 1st Radio Bn. |
| 4X880 yards relay | 1st Radio Bn. |
| 4X1 mile relay | Headquarters Bn. |
| Sand Volleyball | 1st Radio Bn. |
| Fireman's Carry | CSSG-3 |
| Wheel Barrow | 3rd Marine Regiment |
| Dizzy Izzy | 3rd Marine Regiment |
| Horseshoes | 1st Radio Bn. |
| Tug-O-War | 1st MAW ASEK |
| Jungle Shot Put | CSSG-3 |
| Kip Style Pull-Ups | CSSG-3 |

Final Standings:

| Unit | Points |
|---------------------|--------|
| CSSG-3 | 2373 |
| 1st Radio Bn. | 2204 |
| 3rd Marine Regiment | 2171 |
| 1st MAW ASEK | 2136 |
| Headquarters Bn. | 1867 |
| MCAF | 1526 |
| CPRFP | 1282 |
| H&S Camp Smith | 418 |



Above — Heather L. Dyer, administrative clerk with Headquarters Bn., was the only female Marine competitor at the track relay events. Here, Dyer is passing on the Headquarters Bn. baton to the team anchor Jesus Lora, community relations chief for K-Bay. Below — Fireman's carries, a part of every Marines' combat readiness training, were part of the competition during the Commander's Cup Field Meet, Friday.



Marines from CSSG-3 may have lost the battle at the tug-o-war, but they won the war at the "Field Meet" Friday.

WORD TO PASS

Great Aloha Run

2002’s 18th Annual Great Aloha Run will be a relatively flat, 8.15 mile course, which will start at 7 a.m. on President’s Dat, Monday, Feb. 18 at the Aloha Tower and end at Aloha Stadium.

Active duty, family members and civil service employees must complete an official entry form to register for the run at the military rate.

Runners under 18 years old must be registered with a release statement signed by their parents or guardians. Children under seven must be carried, pushed or pulled in a stroller.

Regular entry applications must be postmarked by Jan. 18 and be accompanied by the \$19 entry donation.

Applications received between Jan. 29 to Feb. 1 will be considered late entries at \$27.

Mail all applications to Great Aloha Run, P.O. Box 29750, Honolulu, HI, 96820-20150. Donations are non-refundable.

Only finishers will receive a Finishers’ T-Shirt, race day. Call 528-7388 for more information.

Other Great Aloha Run events include the Great Aloha Run Health & Fitness Expo at the Neal Blaisdell Center: Feb. 15 from 4-10 p.m., Feb. 16 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Feb 17 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Preregistered entrants will receive a postcard for free admittance to Blaisdell, which is also where Great Aloha Runners can pick up their numbers and instruction packets.

Children 12 and under may participate in the Keiki Great Aloha Fun Run & Circus Party — the race is just under two miles on Feb. 16 and starts at 8:30 a.m. Entry donation is \$12

for the first child, \$10 each additional child and \$5 for accompanying adults. Register by Jan. 18. at Keiki Great Aloha run, 418 Kuwili St., Suite 102, Honolulu 96817.

For more, call 528-7388 or visit www.GreatAlohaRun.com for other details. All proceeds will aid Carole Kai Charities.

Marine Corps Scholarships Available

The Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation is looking for students who qualify for Academic Year 2002-2003 scholarships. You may be eligible, if you meet three parameters.

(1) You can qualify if you are:

- the son or daughter of a Marine on active duty or in the Reserves;
- the son or daughter of a former Marine or Reservist who received an honorable or medical

discharge, or who was killed while on duty;

- or, the son or daughter of an active duty, Reserve, or former corpsman who is or has served with Marines.

(2) To qualify, you must also be either:

- a high school senior,
- a high school graduate,
- currently enrolled as an undergraduate at an accredited college or university,
- or currently enrolled at an accredited vocational or technical school.

(3) Your 2001 family income must be \$49,000 or less.

Qualifying students may obtain an application packet by visiting website www.marine-scholars.org.

Or write to Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation; P.O. Box 3008; Princeton, NJ 08543-3008. The application deadline

is April 1, 2002.

Defense Commissary Agency’s 2002 Scholarships

Military families with high school seniors and college students can shop at the Commissary for funds to help pay for the cost of higher education. The Defense Commissary Agency is now receiving applications for its second annual Defense Commissary Agency/Fisher House Foundation Scholarships for Military Children Program.

Forms are available at any commissary or may be accessed via www.commissaries.com.

Students of active duty, retired, Guard, and Reserve servicemembers may qualify for \$1,500 scholarships. Eligibility will be verified in DEERS.

Application deadline is Feb. 5, 2002.



Lance Cpl. Jason E. Miller

Kauffman, like many local surfers, spends as much time riding the waves as he can in preparation for the Military Surfing Championships this weekend.

K-Bay Marine surfs in upcoming championship

Lance Cpl. Jason E. Miller
Combat Correspondent

The waves were beginning to peak at about eight feet.

As a good set finally rolled in, Chief Warrant Officer John Kauffman, manager of the retail exchange annex at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, began paddling with one of the waves.

Just before it began to crest, the Marine stood up on his custom-made, hand-built surfboard and began riding the water. Sliding down the wave, he made a sharp turn to send himself back to the top where he would again be in control of the board to ride out the wave to its frothy finish.

Such control and agility can only be learned through time and practice,



Lance Cpl. Jason E. Miller

Kauffman begins to cut back into the wave as it crashes, just feet behind him.

and Kauffman has been surfing for more than 30 years. One of K-Bay’s best surfers, he will represent the base as the only surfer from K-Bay to compete in this year’s International Military Surfing Championships.

The competition is slated for Jan. 19 and 20 at the Waianae Army Recreation Center. The competition will pit

Kauffman against the best surfers from other services, as well as civilian surfers. To add to the competition, there will also be surfers from around the globe.

“I’m not expecting any really good waves over there,” said Kauffman. “It’s just going to be a matter of luck who gets on a good wave and performs well in front of the judges.

“One thing is for sure though. There will be some very good surfers and a lot of good competition,” he added. “I’m sure I’ll hold my own.”

Competitors in this military championship are expected to come from places as far as California, Australia and even Japan. Some of the competitors, like Kauffman, will be locals and have a slight advantage as they are familiar with how the ocean works at Waianae.

Marine Makeponos

“HAWAIIAN FOR “MARINE BARGAINS”

Auto

2000 Suzuki GSX-R 750 with slide bars, gorilla alarm, custom made helmet and bike cover, and has been in storage since June 2001. Asking \$9,500 OBO, call 235-4463.

1992 Mercedes SL 300, teal, tan interior, two tops, 23,000 miles, extended warranty, excellent condition for \$30,000. If interested, call

262-7953.

1990 Nissan Pathfinder 4X4, automatic everything, tilt steering, tinted windows, CD player, great tires, new parts installed including a water pump, timing chain, pistons and rods, clean interior. Call 254-4538.

Miscellaneous

Burgundy sofa, Laz-y-Boy and loveseat for sale,

in excellent condition, all for \$350 OBO. Call 257-8833/8834.

Moving sale, Victorian wooden dollhouse, mountain bike, air conditioner, baby taxi for bike and a Martha Stewart bench. Call 254-0100, if interested.

Multi-Family Garage sale, baby items, sheets, comforters, multi-family furniture. Begins Saturday 8 a.m. until noon at 1777 B Lawrence. For more information, call 253-0184.

The deadline for submitting ads is 10 a.m. Friday the week prior to publication.

Ad forms may be filled out Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the MCB Hawaii Public Affairs Office, located in Bldg. 216.

Ads must be submitted in person and will be accepted only from active duty and retired military personnel, their family members and MCB Hawaii civil service workers.

Ads are free and will appear in two issues of the Hawaii Marine.

Marine Makeponos may be used only for noncommercial classified ads containing items of personal property offered by and for individuals authorized to use this service. Such ads must represent incidental exchanges, not of a sustained business nature.

Ads are run on a first-come, first served, space-available basis.